

Treasure Island Transfer Ceremony - 17 August 2010

Ceremony Purpose: To commemorate the agreement* for the transfer of the Naval Station Treasure Island between the Navy and Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA). US EPA does not have a speaking role in the ceremony but is an invitee due to the Agency's involvement in the Naval Station's environmental cleanup team.

(* the final agreement currently undergoing negotiations)

Attendees: Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Mayor Gavin Newsom, Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus, San Francisco Board of Supervisors, TIDA, DTSC, Water Board, US EPA

US EPA's Site Role:

- As a non-NPL site, EPA does not co-select site remedies; however, EPA remains active in the cleanup and transfer decision-making process with the Navy, State, and other stakeholders and has no issues with the transfer.
- EPA routinely attends and participates in BRAC Cleanup Team meetings with the Navy, State and City, RAB community meetings, and technical meetings.
- In conjunction with the State and the City, EPA comments on all of the Navy's environmental-related documents including: CERCLA documents, schedules, site boundary changes, transfer documents, and other technical documents.
- DoD provides EPA with 0.5 FTE to help facilitate cleanup and transfer.

Background:

- The Naval Station was added to the BRAC list in 1993 and formally closed in 1997. It consisted of two contiguous islands: Treasure Island (TI) ~403 acres, and Yerba Buena Island (YBI) ~147 acres.
- Site groundwater and soil contamination includes:
 - metals (copper, lead, mercury, silver), PCBs, PAHs, VOCs, SVOCs, dioxins, pesticides, petroleum, herbicides, asbestos, and arsenic
 - radiological contamination (deck markers, decorative buttons, other commodities, as well as a radium sulfate spill).
- While the majority of the site has undergone environmental remediation, some of the areas will require cleanup post transfer with limited EPA oversight (State lead oversight).

Current re-use activities and transfers:

- This agreement transfers all remaining property to TIDA.
- TIDA has operated the base since closure and leases portions of the Base for housing and other activities.
- 36 acres of TI transferred to the U.S. Department of Labor for a Jobs Corps Center
- Portions of YBI transferred to:
 - U.S. Coast Guard for their continued operations
 - The State of California for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge

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Planned Development:

- TIDA's Draft Redevelopment Plan for TI and YBI includes the following land uses: Public services, Civic, Institutional, Open space, Residential, Mixed use, and Tidal Trust land.
 - Draft Plan - 12 July 2010
 - Draft EIR - 12 July 2010